

Re: HB 6599, AN ACT CONCERNING DISCRIMINATION

10 a.m. LOB 2500

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I'll be brief. With all due respect, I am appalled that this bill is even being considered. Is anybody thinking about the children? Think of the taxpayer resources being wasted spending time as our representatives on this bill, which is a self-interested bill by a powerful lobby?

Why not invest time in designating our children as a protected class? Shouldn't they come first? Is it too much to ask that our children could go into a bathroom or their schools without being exposed to a philosophy that is not representative of or supported by the larger majority of our citizens.

Thank you to all of you who will do the right thing.